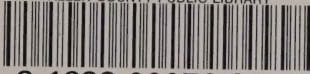






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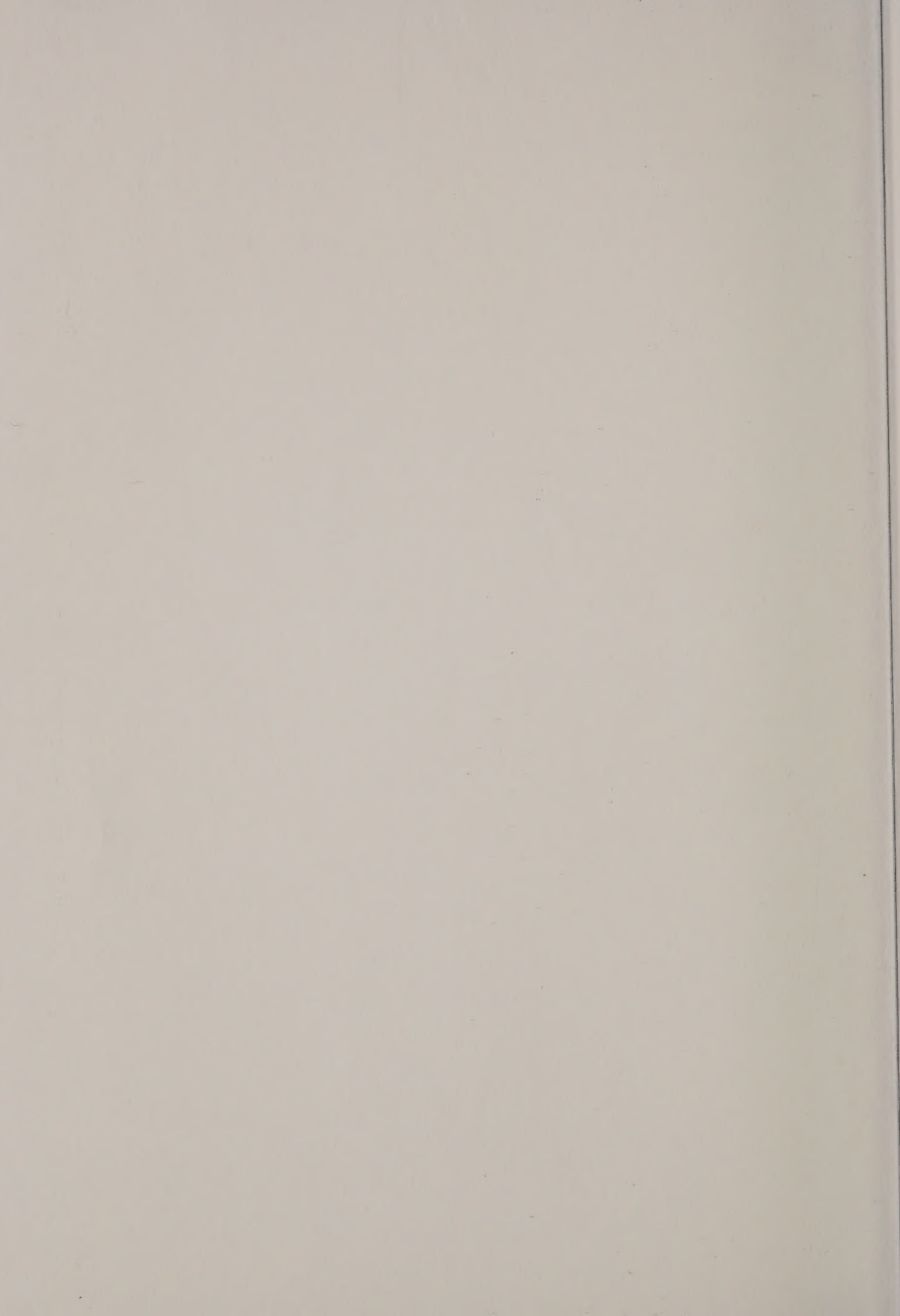
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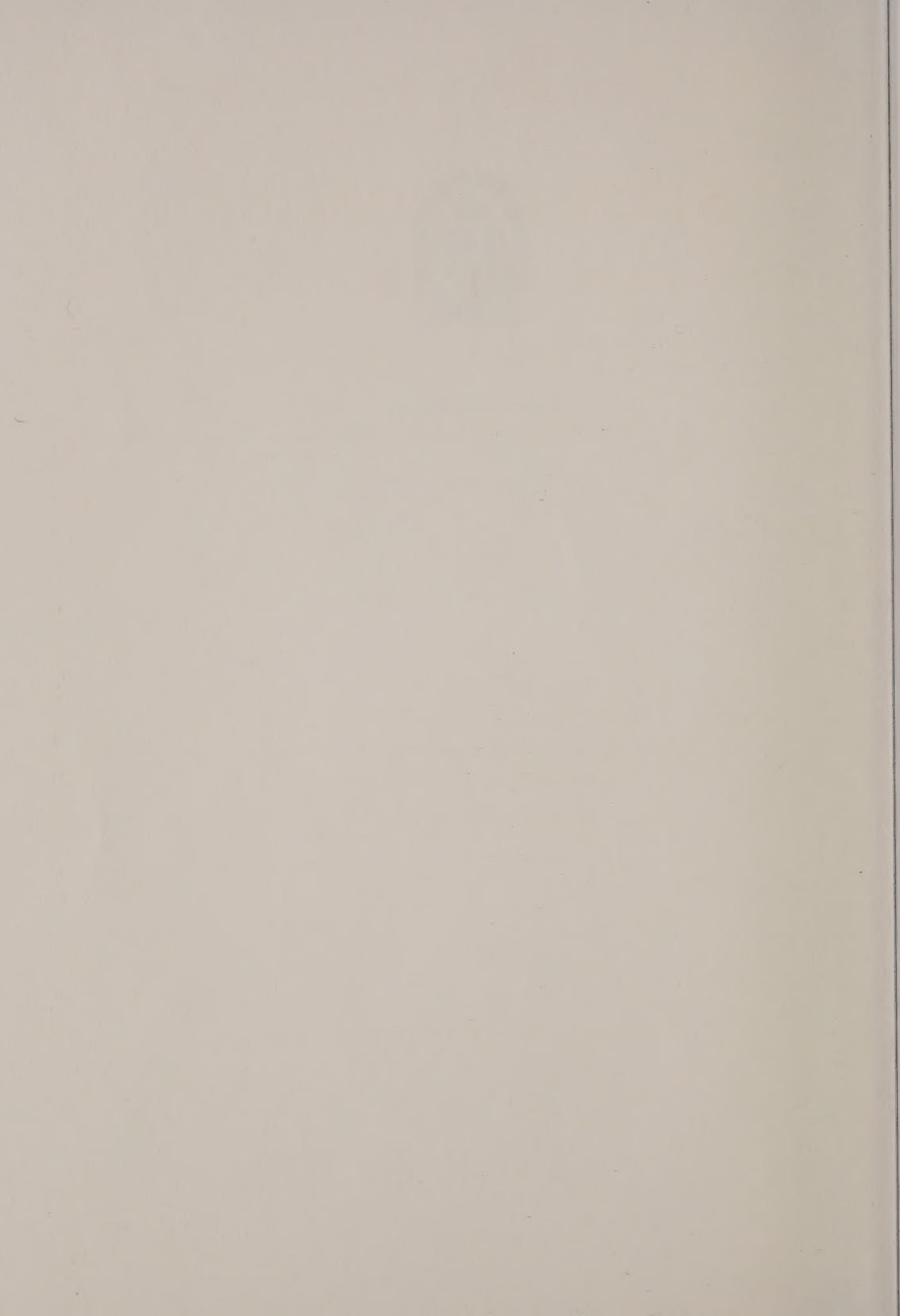








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*A*MONG THE MANUSCRIPTS in The Rhode Island Historical Society is an account book kept for many years by Governor Stephen Hopkins and members of his family. It contains entries both of a private and of a public nature, and a large number of those between April 8, 1755, and April 18, 1757, during his first two terms as governor, relate to The French and Indian War.

In addition to his other duties Hopkins performed those of paymaster and quartermaster, paying the recruiting officers and soldiers; buying rum, foodstuffs, and military supplies; and hiring horses, carts, and vessels to transport the Rhode Island troops. Each transaction was concluded by signing a receipt in Hopkins' account book. Typical are:

May 17, 1755. Recd. of Stephen Hopkins Thirty Eight pounds Fifteen Shillings in full for Billiting my self Five Weeks and for one Months pay as a Drummer

Abraham X Hogg his Mark

May 19, 1755. Recd. of Stephen Hopkins Five pounds for the Use of One Gun Markd J H. No. 67. Valued at Eighteen pounds and is to excuse Stephen Hartshorn from Military Duty according to Act of Assembly.

Jacob Hartshorn

August 20, 1755 Recd of Stephen Hopkins Five Hundred Pounds in full for the Hire of the Sloop Amia for Transporting Capt. Samuel Angells Company from Providence to Albany

John Lawrence

August 6, 1756 Rcd of Stephen Hopkins one Hundred Pounds for the expense of Proclaiming War pd.

Noah Mason

Many of the entries are signed by soldiers and are difficult to decipher; others, in Hopkins' hand, mention soldiers by name. A list, alphabetically arranged, follows:

Abner Aldrich	Phillip Brown
James Alger	John Bugbee
Preserved Alger	Jonathan Bullock
Peter Allen	Levy Bumpas
Col. Samuel Angell	Benajah Bundy
Isaac Arnold	Giles Bundy
David Austin	Thomas Bundy
John Austin	Benjamin Burnet, Jr.
Nathan Barden	Daniel Caller
John Barker	Edward Card
John Barns	William Carpenter
Rufus Barton	Lt. Mitchel Case
William Basset	Thomas Chaffe
Benjamin Bennet, Jr.	Samuel Champlin
Samuel Bennet	Stephen Chapman, Jr.
William Bennet	Thomas Cheese
Thomas Birkett	Latham Clarke
Thomas Bolsen	Constant Cole
Amos Bowen	John Cole
Charles Bowen	Joseph Collins
David Bowen	Sgt. Thomas Collins
John Bowl	Joseph Comins
William Briant	Benjamin Commins
Daniel Briggs	Nathan Comstock
Jeremiah Briggs	Joseph Conner
Isaac Broadfoot	Silas Cooke
Amos Brooks	Benjamin Coone
George Brown	Edward Corbin
George Watwood Brown	Israel Corey



Benjamin Cozzens  
Simon Cutebup [?]  
Pardon Dailey  
Samuel Daley  
Timothy Daley  
Daniel Damones  
Hugh Daniel  
Edward Davis  
Lt. Joseph Davis  
Nathan Day  
Andrew Dexter  
James Ducker  
Lewis Eddy  
William Emerson  
Jabez Estabrook  
Thomas Feliex  
Henry Fleming  
Isaac Fraser  
Capt. Thomas Fry  
Thomas Fry, Jr.  
Zeblon Fuler  
Jacob Fuller  
Abel Gibs  
Ebenezer Godfrey  
Charles Goff  
John Goodwill  
John Gordon  
Maurice Grant  
Jeremiah Greene  
Jon Hendrick Greenman  
Joseph Guile  
Sgt. Elisha Hall

Waymouth Ham  
Capt. Amos Hammond  
Nathan Hammond  
Christopher Harris  
John Harris  
Ebenezer Haucer [?]  
John Haw  
John Hawks  
Uriah Hawks  
William Head  
Levi Herenden  
Ananias Herenden  
Jonathan Herenden  
Othniel Herenden  
Lovet Hew  
Mark Hill  
Roger Hill  
David Hix  
Abraham Hogg  
David Hogg  
David Hogg, Jr.  
John Hool  
Capt. Robert Hopkins  
Rufus Hopkins  
Ephraim Hunt, Jr.  
Samuel Hunt  
John Ide  
Peter Iludin  
Elisha Inman  
John Inman  
Michal Isaacs  
Jeremiah Jennings

Peter Jennings  
Enos Jillson  
John Jones  
David Joy  
Amasa Killam  
Samuel Kilton  
Asa Kimball  
Joseph Latham  
Christopher Lee  
Michal Letson  
Thomas Loveless  
John Lovell  
Robert Low  
Thomas Lowring  
Joshua Lyon  
Amos Man  
Christopher Mane  
Sev Mathis [?]  
Rufus McIntire  
Neal McNeal  
George Mew  
William Miles  
Thomas Mingo  
Elisha Mitchel  
Obediah Mitchel  
Walter Moran  
Christopher More  
Lt. Valentine Mory  
Jacob Mowry  
James Mowry  
Robert Nixon  
Mark Noble

Peter Norton  
Timothy O'Brien  
Isaac Olney  
William Olney  
Nathaniel Onyon  
Perez Oteley  
Simeon Pain  
Michell Pandargass  
John Payn  
Nathaniel Peck  
Thomas Peck, Jr.  
Daniel Peters  
Jesse Place  
Richard Plumer  
Samuel Plumer  
Abel Potter, Jr.  
Benjamin Potter  
Gideon Potter  
John Potter, Jr.  
William Potter  
Thomas Price  
James Purcit  
Sgt. John Randall  
Peter Rason  
Eliphalet Read  
Joseph Reynolds  
Joseph Reynolds, Jr.  
Samuel Richardson  
Cornelious Rider  
Jeremiah Robinson  
2d. Lt. Samuel Rose  
William Ross



William Roy  
Ceasar Sambo  
Samuel Sandes  
Samuel Sanders  
Stephen Scranton  
Capt. Amasa Sessions  
Samuel Shearman  
Sampson Sisson  
Joseph Smith  
Lemuel Smith  
Robert Smith  
Jonathan Spear  
Ishmael Spink  
Joseph Sprague, Jr.  
Stukely Stafford  
David Staples  
Joshua Staples  
Primus Starney  
Samuel Steer  
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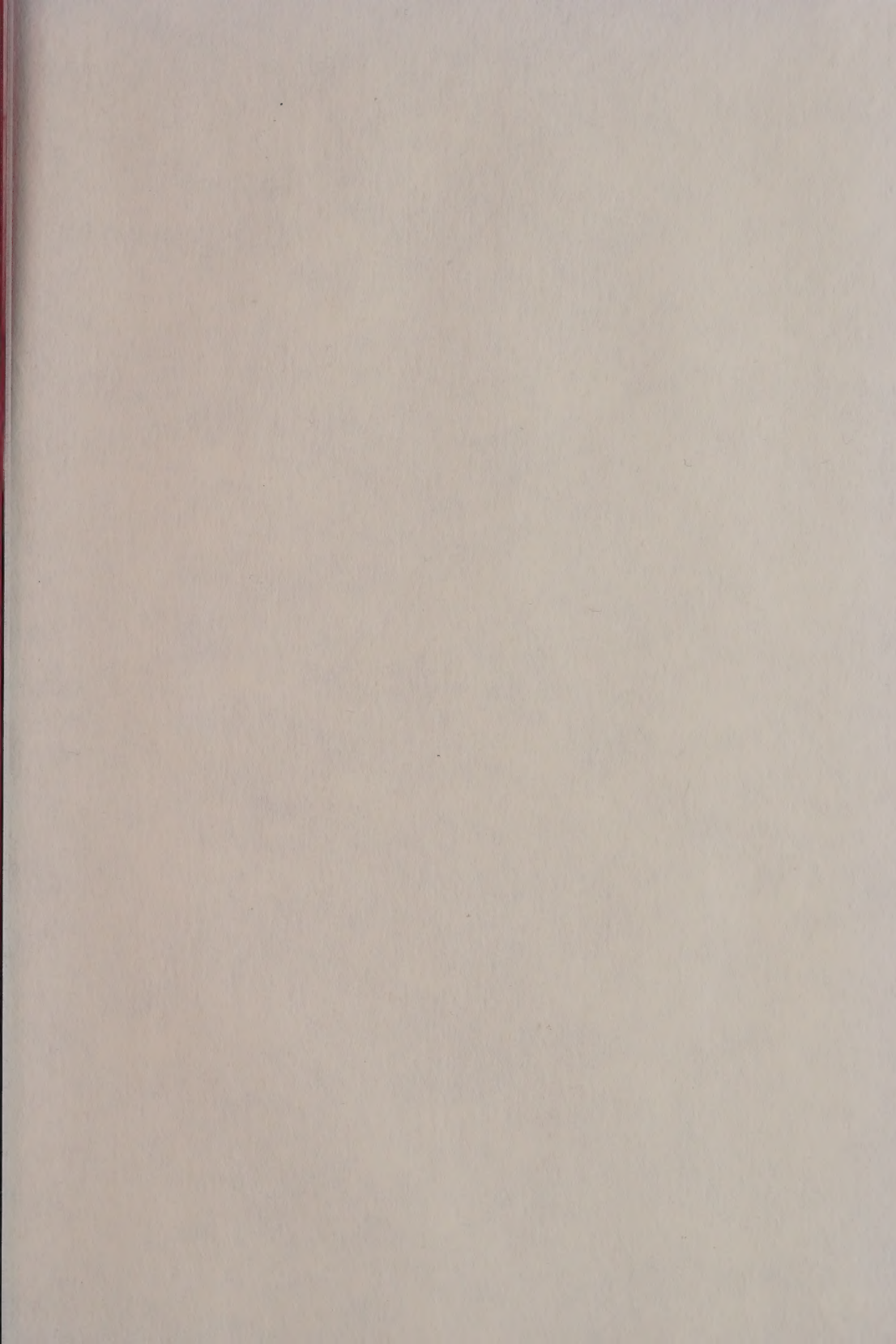
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Charles Tracey  
Joseph Tucker  
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Ebenezer Tyler  
James Tyler  
William Vinsent  
Thomas Wainright  
Daniel Wall  
Ellis Washman  
Sgt. Samuel Weatherbe  
Daniel Weatherell  
Daniel Weatherhead  
Josiah Westcott  
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